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(Case No. 98,541-C)

PATENT

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In the Application of:)

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Serial No.: 09/721,096)

Filing Date: November 22, 2000)

For: Removal Of Embedding Media)
From Biological Samples and Cell Conditioning)
on Automated Staining Instruments)

Examiner: K. Patricia Bex

Group Art Unit: 1743

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Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above-identified patent application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- a) Reply to October 15, 2002 Official Action with Appendix A and Appendix B
- b) Petition for One Month Extension of Time
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2. With respect to additional fees:

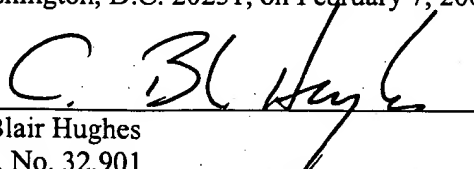
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